EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Assessment Grant

\$380,000 for hazardous substances

\$95,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected the Southeastern Indiana Regional Planning Commission for a brownfields assessment coalition grant.

Community-wide hazardous substances grant funds will be used to conduct 12 Phase I and eight Phase II environmental site assessments.

Community-wide petroleum grant funds will be used to conduct three Phase I and two Phase II environmental site assessments. Grant funds of both types also will be used to create and maintain a brownfields inventory; prepare six cleanup plans; and support community outreach activities, including six public meetings, 36 stakeholder meetings, and media releases for newspaper and radio. Assessment activities will focus on the Greensburg Industrial-Commercial District, Madison's Ohio River District, North Vernon Downtown District, and Shelbyville Miller Corridor. Coalition partners are the Cities of Greensburg, Madison, North Vernon, and Shelbyville.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

EPA Region 5 Brownfields Team (312) 886-9493 EPA Region 5 Brownfields Web site (https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/brownfields-and-land-revitalization-illinois-ind iana-michigan-minnesota-ohio-and)

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